

**NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY 1053729**

The Town Hall, Market Hill, ORFORD, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 2NZ

**Minutes of the 268th meeting held on
Wednesday 15 November 2023, at 6.30pm, in the New Room of Orford Town Hall**

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs M Iliff (Chairman), N Addy, C Ambury, M Green, J Howard, M Iliff, K King, A Macro and R Mallett. Treasurer and Clerk in attendance.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs A Greenwell (delayed due to work), I Thornton (ill) and G Wingrove (work commitment).

2. Acceptance of Apologies

These were accepted by the Trustee.

3. Declarations of interest

Cllr N Addy: river user; Cllr C Ambury: mooring holder, plot holder and river user; Cllr M Green: allotment holder, supplier to Orford Country Market; Cllr J Howard: member of Orford Sailing Club, plot holder, mooring holder and river user; Cllr M Iliff: member of Orford Sailing Club; Cllr K King: plot holder, dinghy licence holder and river user; Cllr A Macro: allotment holder, supplier to Orford Country Market, Chairman of the Recreation Ground Charity, Chairman of the Orford Good Neighbour Scheme, and married to a quay user (fisherman); Cllr R Mallett: relative of an allotment holder, partner of an NOTT employee.

4. Minutes of the 267th meeting held on 18 October 2023

These were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

5. Matters arising from the 267th meeting held on 18 October 2023

- The Clerk reported that she had contacted East Suffolk Services about cutting back the vegetation in the Quay Street car park. The quote had come back at £375 plus VAT, but they won't be able to carry out the work until January. The Clerk will accept the quote.
- The Clerk reported that she had submitted two applications to East Suffolk Council to carry out work to trees in Quay Meadow and to a tree near the riverside pond. East Suffolk Council has until 13 December to consider if it wishes to comment or apply a tree protection order. If not, then work can be carried out.

6. Treasurer's report

- Cheques and balances from 1-31 October 2023
The Treasurer reported that last year's surplus had been distributed to the Designated Funds. These were accepted and signed by the Trustee.

7. Committee reports

- No Estates/Highways meeting
- No Riverside meeting

8. General Trust business

- Pontoon: there was no update on this from the Riverside Chairman, but the Clerk reported that the Quay Warden had spoken to A Moore about this, and the Clerk will pass any info onto the Trustee when it is available.

- QSCP electric charging points: the Clerk reported that she had gone back to the team at Plug in Suffolk and had been asked to resubmit an expression of interest for funding, which she had done. NOTT should hear back around March next year.
- Emergency Group: OGPC has already purchased a pump for the Emergency Group.
- Christmas tree for the Town Hall: it was agreed unanimously to purchase Christmas Trees for the Town Hall and village green outside the shop. Cllr A Macro will source these as usual.

9. Correspondence

Emails of thanks from Orford Bonfire and Fireworks, and Good Neighbour Scheme

10. Items for next meeting: usual items

The meeting closed at 6.40pm

11. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 17 January 2024 at 6.30pm